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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

BRUNNER et al.)

Serial No. 09/879,456)

Filed: June 13, 2001)

For: HYDROGENATION OF BENZENEPOLYCARBOXYLIC ACIDS OR
DERIVATIVES THEREOF USING A CATALYST CONTAINING MACROPORES)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.115

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated July 5,
2001, applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments, in accordance
with 37 CFR §1.115.

Brunner et al., Division of Ser. No. 09/581,843

IN THE ABSTRACT

The abstract has been replaced with the substitute abstract shown on the next page.